

# MOLINE'S SECTION OF THE ARGUS

## DAMAGE IN STORM UP IN THOUSANDS

Terrific Windstorm Visits Moline and Vicinity Late Sunday Night.

### NO INJURIES REPORTED

Telephone and Telegraph Companies Suffer Heavily—Fires Reported From Lightning.

Damage to the extent of thousands of dollars was done by the heavy wind storm which hit Moline and vicinity late Sunday night, the local telephone and telegraph companies being the heaviest losers, while the railroads also experienced considerable trouble. The damage was done by the wind tearing down trees, telegraph, telephone and trolley wires, lightning striking trees and barns, and the heavy rain which fell causing washouts on the railroads nearby.

At the home of Gilbert Fleet, 616 Nineteenth street, a large tree was struck by lightning, a limb crashing through the roof and causing a panic among the occupants of the house. The damage will amount to several hundred dollars. No one was injured.

**Wires are Blown Down.**  
Telephone, telegraph and trolley wires were blown down in all parts of the city and large forces of men were busy today repairing the damage.

A number of live wires were blown down, but luckily no injuries from this cause occurred. It is estimated that in addition to the damage mentioned about 200 trees were uprooted, blown down or struck by lightning.

**Barn is Burned.**  
In Hampton, on the bluff, a barn owned by Mrs. Henry Reiling, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. Reports that many other places in the county were struck by lightning, but did not burn. None of the members of the family was injured, but damage to the extent of about \$100 was done.

In East Moline the only serious damage done was the blowing over of a concrete wall which had been erected for a new garage.

### EAST MOLINE DAILY PAPER TO BE PUBLISHED WEEKLY

After 22 days as a daily newspaper the East Moline Daily Record, the first "every 24 hour paper" ever published in that city, has given up and will publish hereafter as a weekly.

**When Warships Were Cheaper.**  
Warship expenditure of the present time would have horrified the Emperor William I. Andrew D. White, for many years American minister in Berlin, records that in an interview with the old emperor in 1881 "he asked me some questions about the Elbe, in which I was about to travel to New York. I told him how beautifully it was equipped, it being the first of the larger vessels of the North German Lloyd. He answered: 'Yes; what is now doing in the way of shipbuilding is wonderful. This morning I received a letter from my son, the crown prince, who is at Osborne and has just visited a great English man-of-war. It is wonderful, but it cost £1,000,000 sterling (\$5,000,000)." At this he raised his voice and, throwing up both hands, said very earnestly: "We can't stand it, we can't stand it!"—Chicago News.

## REGULARS GUARD WATERWORKS; ARMY FLYERS STUDY COUNTRY



These pictures were taken a few days ago at Vera Cruz. Upper photograph shows American soldiers guarding waterworks. Lower photo shows Lieutenant Bellinger of the army aviation corps returning to Vera Cruz after a trip over the Mexican camps and country to the west of Vera Cruz.

## ANNUAL MEETING TOMORROW NIGHT

Local Y.M.C.A. Will Choose Officers and Consider Matters of Finance.

The annual meeting of the Moline Y. M. C. A. will be held tomorrow evening, at which time officers for the ensuing year will be elected. The standing committees will also be named. Matters of finance are expected to take up a considerable portion of the time of the meeting, owing to the fact that recent drastic action has been taken in reducing expenses by eliminating certain salaried offices which it was decided were unnecessary.

### OBITUARY RECORD

**Funeral of Alfred Larson.**  
Funeral services for Alfred Larson, the Velle Motor-Vehicle company employee who dropped dead last Friday, were held at the home, 427 Forty-third street, Rock Island, Sunday afternoon at 2:30, Rev. A. F. Bergstrom officiating. Interment was in Riverside cemetery.

**Funeral of Henry Sandstrom.**  
Impressive funeral services were held for Henry Sandstrom in the Swedish Olive lodge rooms Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, members of that

lodge and the Frej lodge taking part. Axel H. Kohler delivered the sermon. The Olive Male chorus furnished music, the leader singing a solo, "Rest in Peace." The services were attended by a large number of druggists from both Rock Island and Moline.

**Carl J. Larson.**  
Carl J. Larson, 2510 Fifth avenue, died at 2:40 this morning after four months of illness with dropsy. Deceased was born Oct. 11, 1842, in Sweden, emigrating to this country almost 50 years ago. He first settled in Chicago, later moved to Indiana, and then came to this city, where he has since resided, having been employed for the most of the time at the plant of Deere & Co. He was a member of the Swedish Lutheran church.

Left to mourn are the widow and three children, Mrs. Emily Lundberg and Charles Larson of this city, and Mrs. Ray Mitchell of Chicago. One brother and six grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services will be held from the home Wednesday afternoon at 2:30, Rev. Bergstrom officiating.

**Miss Gertrude Nicely.**  
Miss Gertrude Nicely, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nicely, Coal Valley, died Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock after a week's illness with pneumonia. She was born in Franklin Grove, Ill., July 10, 1893, and moved to Coal Valley with her parents when she was 12 years of age. Left to mourn in addition to the parents are two sisters, Mary and Clara, at home, and two brothers, Lloyd and Lafe of Stillman Valley, Ill.

Funeral services will be held from the home Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock and from the Coal Valley Presbyterian church at 2 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Beard will officiate and interment will be in the Coal Valley cemetery.

**He Took No Chances.**  
A physician known for his coolness and skill in surgery went to a dentist to have a tooth extracted and other work done on his molars.

"Will it be painful?" asked the physician quakingly.

"It'll be just as painless as one of your surgical operations," the dentist replied encouragingly.

Grabbing up his hat hurriedly, the physician remarked as he started toward the door: "I forgot I had an engagement in my office for this hour. I'll see you later, doc!"—Indianapolis News.

**An Acrobatic Feat.**  
The fresh air kid had discoursed for thirty minutes on the acrobatic wonders of the vaudeville stage.

"Hub, that ain't so much," sniffed the farmer's son at last. "We've got something in this very barn that will turn without moving."

"Hain't neither! What is it?" "Milk."—Detroit Free Press.

**His Finish.**  
Sapleigh—How much money do you think a man ought to accumulate before he can safely ask a girl to marry him? Miss Keen—It depends on the man, Mr. Sapleigh. You will probably have to accumulate several millions.—Boston Transcript.

**Wise Man.**  
Rustum—You know Miss De Koy very well, don't you? Van Swain—No. Rustum—What? I thought you were engaged to her? Van Swain—So I am.—Judge.

All the news all the time—The Argus.

## ANOTHER SPECIAL ELECTION COMING

City Commissioners Decide to Have Voters Select Municipal Court Judge.

City commissioners have definitely decided to call a special election for the purpose of selecting a municipal court judge, and the ordinance providing for the primary and election will be passed as soon as the appropriation ordinances are out of the way.

From present indications the primary will be held in June and the election in July. These two will make a total of five primaries and elections held in Moline this year, exclusive of school elections of which there have been two.

Some three or four years ago the voters of the city decided to establish a municipal court but a room could not be provided until the new city hall had been built. A room has been set aside and fitted up at the new municipal building for this purpose.

The salary of the judge is \$3,000 per year and he is paid by the state. In addition to the judge a clerk of the court must also be elected.

There are at present three candidates for the position of judge, but more will doubtless enter before the race has far advanced. Those who have already expressed a desire to be elected are G. O. Dietz, W. S. McClurg and T. M. Wheelock. There are no candidates out for the clerkship as yet. This office pays a fee salary.

### TOUCHES LIVE WIRE AND IS KNOCKED TO GROUND

Thomas Brown, employed by the construction company which is erecting the new high school building, narrowly escaped being electrocuted this morning when he brushed against a broken electric light wire. The shock threw him to the pavement and rendered him unconscious, but there were no serious results.

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## SWALLOWS ACID DEATH IS RESULT

Mrs. Betty Miller Found in Barn of Neighbor Dead From Carbolic Acid Poison.

The body of Mrs. Betty Miller, 1167 Twenty-sixth street, was found lying in the barn of a neighbor, Mrs. Ada Voorhees, 1163 Twenty-sixth street, shortly before 2 o'clock this afternoon. An empty bottle bearing a carbolic acid label, which lay nearby, was evidence of the manner of death.

Mrs. Miller left her home not long after the noon hour, supposedly to call on neighbors. The discovery was made by Mrs. Voorhees, who had occasion to go to the barn. She summoned help and the body was removed to the house, where an examination by physicians showed that the woman had been dead about half an hour.

Mrs. Miller attempted suicide several months ago by cutting a artery in her wrist and only by prompt medical attention was her life saved. For some time the unfortunate woman had been suffering with nervous trouble, which seemed to have weakened her mind. She was 49 years of age.

### AS THACKERAY SAW US.

His Opinion of American Cities and Civilization in 1852.

Early in December of 1852 Thackeray wrote from New York city to a friend in England: "I've been here and there in the 'upper ten' world, but not much. It's the most curious varnish of civilization. The girls are dressed like the most stunning French actresses, the house furnished like splendid gambling houses. It's all gold and yellow brocade, and little ladies are like French shop boys, and the houses are all so new that the walls are not even papered, and on the walls in the midst of the hangings of brocade and the enormous gold frames and mirrors you see little twopenny pictures and colored prints."

Two months later he wrote from Baltimore: "Now I have seen three great cities—Boston, New York, Philadelphia. I think I like them all mightily well. They seem to be not so civilized as our London, but more so than Manchester and Liverpool. At Boston is very good literature company indeed. It is like Edinburgh for that—a vast amount of tourism and dinnishness everywhere; that of New York the simplest and least pretentious, for it suffices that a man should keep a fine house, give parties and have a daughter to get all the world to him."—Pittsburgh Press.

### STICK INSECTS.

They Sleep in the Daytime by Going Into a Rigid Trance.

One of the most curious inhabitants of the insect world is what is known as the stick insect, about which Professor Schmidt of the Imperial university of St. Petersburg has been making some strange discoveries.

This queer insect remains in a quiet state during the hours of daylight. Until now it has always been supposed that this was slumber, but Professor Schmidt says it is really a state of catalepsy, or trance, which the insect has developed as a means of protection against its enemies.

When in one of these trances the insects will remain for hours in most abnormal positions—standing on their heads, flat on their backs or with their legs extended high in the air and the body arched in the form of a bow. Only some prolonged excitement of the nervous system will rouse them from this rigid cataleptic state, but when the trance is over they show no signs whatever of muscular fatigue.

The stick insect passes all its days in a trance and feeds at night on the foliage of plants where it lives.—Exchange.

### Amateur Headman.

Most of us are wont to think of the beheading as a relic of the dark ages, but the last decapitation which took place in the British Isles was no later than 1820. The victims were two unfortunate men who had taken a part in the Bonnyville rising and were convicted of high treason. The sentence was carried out in Stirling, Scotland. The headman, who was masked and wore a serge gown, was a small, nervous man who did his work so badly that it was not until the third stroke that he decapitated one of the unfortunate. The assembled crowd yelled "Murder!" and the miserable headman was heard to remark, "I wish to heaven I had not it to do." For a long time his identity was a mystery, but it later developed that he was a young medical student of Glasgow. The ax and the mask which he used on the occasion may still be seen.—New York Sun.

**What He Left.**  
Residing in a little village is a lawyer who is famous for drawing wills in which branch of business he has long enjoyed a monopoly of the country for miles around.

A few months since a wealthy man died. There was much speculation as to the value of the property, and the town gossip set about to find out the facts. He hunted up the lawyer, and after a few preliminary remarks about the deceased, he said rather bluntly: "I suppose you made Brown's will?"

"Yes."

"Then you probably know how much he left. Would you mind telling me?"

"Not at all," the lawyer answered, as he resumed his writing. "He left everything he had."

## Effort

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## Catching the Chinese Tiger

Flood, famine and relief for 2,500 years—a never-ending cycle—unbroken by study of cause, or adequate measures of prevention, nothing effectual done to stop the monotony of continuous misery and continuous dole; here is a history about to be ended by what has been called the most gigantic piece of constructive philanthropy since the fabled days of Joseph of Egypt.

In it says Winthrop D. Lane in The Survey for May, American initiative has been the leading string, an American philanthropic agency has held the forward end of that string, and American engineering skill will see the enterprise to its issue.

Portations of the Chinese provinces of Anhui and Kiangsu have known little rest from floods and subsequent famines for 25 centuries. Millions of dollars have been poured into the region in a single generation. Thousands of tons of free grain have been sent in. Dikes and embankments have been built to confine the water, but little or nothing has been done to deepen channels or to furnish means for the free and quick passage of the water to the sea.

To all this an end is now to be put. The rivers are to be reclaimed, all normal floods prevented, thousands of square miles of waste land to be made productive, and hundreds of thousands of people who are little better than paupers are to be given the means of regaining independence and self-respect.

The first step in the negotiations which are to make this possible was taken early in 1911 by the American Red Cross. After a preliminary survey of the famine district, Charles D. Jameon, an American engineer, has pronounced prevention practicable and China has agreed to sell bonds to the amount of \$20,000,000 to finance the measures proposed by Mr. Jameon.

A board of five engineers is to go from this country in a few weeks to make a more intensive study of the ground. It is expected that a contract for the work will be made by China with the J. G. White Engineering corporation, of New York. The work as at present planned will take six or seven years.

**Yesterday's Ball Games.**  
Following are the scores in baseball games played yesterday by Moline teams:

Indiana, 12; Athletics, 4.  
Velle Grays, 4; Genesee, 2.  
Moline Tigers, 6; Mathersville, 2.  
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